

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action, Applicants are furnishing herewith a certified copy of the German priority application to complete their claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. Acknowledgement of priority and safe receipt of the document are courteously requested.

In response to the rejection of claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, claims 1 and 11 have been amended to provide proper antecedent basis for the claim language. In addition, the method of claim 11 has been corrected to recite a sequence of positively recited steps.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-11 under Section 112 are courteously requested.

This application should now be in condition for allowance, and notification of the same at an early date is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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